the end of 1988 and since the beginning of 1989 till date ;

(b) what percentage of the gap in the demand and supply is met annually with imports and from the indigenous production of non-ferrous metals ; and

(c) what is the overall impact of the shortage of the user industries and the manner in which Government propose to solve the problem ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) The demand of non-ferrous metals is assessed on financial year basis. While the availability position of aluminium is satisfactory, there is no serious shortage in so far as copper, zinc and lead are concerned. The percentage of the demand met through indigenous production for copper, lead and zinc during 1988-89 and 1989-90 is indicated below :—

	1988-89		
	Copper	Zinc	Lead
1. Demand (000' tonnes)	135	153	60
2. Indigenous production (as % of demand)	38	48	54

	1989-90		
	Copper	Zinc	Lead
1. Estimated demand (000' tonnes)	135	155	65
2. Targeted indigenous production (as % of demand)	41	55	62

The gap between the demand and indigenous production is met mainly through canalised imports and to some extent by imports under REP and Open General Licences.

(c) The aluminium user industries do not face any shortage of raw-material due to adequate availability of metal through indigenous production. Insofar as copper, lead and zinc are concerned the demand gap, as stated above, is being met through imports and there is thus no perceptible impact on user industries.

Development of surgarcane areas by sugar Mills

3195. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total number of sugar mills in the country as on date ;

(b) what is the total number of sugar mills which are developing sugarcane in their respective areas ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Working Group of the Planning Commission in respect of sugar industry have recommended that during the 7th Five Year Plan period the sugar mills should be made responsible for developing their own sugarcane areas under the guidance and support of State and Central Government's agencies; and

(d) if so, how far the above recommendations have been implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) There are 392 installed sugar mills in the country as on 31-7-1989.

(b) 174 sugar factories have been given financial assistance from Sugar Development Fund created by the Central Government for developing sugarcane in their respective areas.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The activities of sugarcane development undertaken by the above sugar factories are being monitored by the State and the Central Government agencies.

उत्तर प्रदेश के बढ़ापुर गांव में पीड़ितों को दी गई सहायता

3196. **श्रीमती सत्या बहिन** : क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या 22 मार्च, 1989 को उत्तर प्रदेश के एटा जिले के बढ़ापुर गांव में होली के दिन हुई दुर्घटना में जिसमें पांच हरिजनों को जीवित जला दिया गया था, शिकार हुए अनुसूचित जाति के उन विस्थापित परिवारों को केन्द्रीय सरकार/राज्य सरकार द्वारा कोई सहायता दी गई है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो कितनी सहायता दी गई है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या-क्या कारण हैं?

कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० राजेन्द्र कुमारी वाजपेयी) : (क) से (ग) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Central Government Offices in Assam

3197. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the location of Central Government offices in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

3198. [*Transferred to the 10th August*, 1989]

आयातित अखबारी कागज के मूल्यों में वृद्धि

3199. **श्री अश्विनी कुमार** : क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गत 3 वर्षों के दौरान किन-किन तारीखों को आयातित अखबारी कागज के मूल्यों में वृद्धि की गई तथा इस प्रकार से की गई वृद्धि का प्रतिशत क्या है;

(ख) देश के सरकारी कारखानों में उत्पादित होने वाले अखबारी कागज के मूल्यों में इस अवधि के दौरान किन-किन तारीखों को वृद्धि की गई तथा प्रत्येक बार कितनी-कितनी वृद्धि की गई;

(ग) अखबारी कागज की मूल्य वृद्धि में केन्द्रीय और राज्य कर का प्रतिशत